IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	: Examiner: A. Christensen
ATSUSHI OHTANI, ET AL.) : Group Art Unit: 2712
Application No. 08/878,581) :
Filed: June 19, 1997)
For: IMAGE SENSING APPARATUS AND METHOD)) April 3, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 4, 1999 for three months from January 4, 2000 to April 4, 2000.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$870.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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